

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1-4 and 6-17 are amended.

Support for the amendment can be found at least at Figs. 3 and 9 of the specification. No new matter is introduced.

Applicant thanks Supervisory Examiner Rimell and Examiner Smith for the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative Mr. Paul Tsou during the September 10, 2007 personal interview. The substance of the personal interview is incorporated into the remarks below.

The Office Action objects to the specification. The specification is amended to obviate the objection. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to the specification be withdrawn.

The Office Action objects to the drawings. Fig. 2 is amended to obviate the objection. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

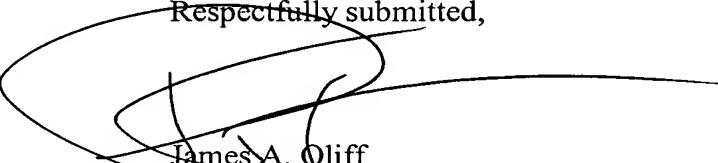
The Office Action rejects claims 1-17 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Specifically, the Office Action asserts that claim 1 recites "the own device" without sufficient antecedent basis. The claims are amended to obviate the rejection. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection to claims 1-17 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-17 under 35 U.S.C. §102 as being anticipated by Johnson et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,813,009). However, as discussed during the personal interview, Johnson does not disclose or suggest the subject matter recited in independent claims 1, 7, 13 and 14. Claims 2-6 and 15-17 depend from claim 1; and claims 8-12 depend from claim 7. Thus, Johnson does not disclose or suggest the subject matter recited in claims 1-17. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1-17 under 35 U.S.C. §102 be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-17 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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Replacement Drawing Sheet (1)

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